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## **INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1097**

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TO: Iowa Medicaid Physicians, Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners,

Hospitals, Clinics, Family Planning Agencies, Federally Qualified Health

Centers (FQHC), Rural Health Clinics and Maternal Health Clinics

**ISSUED BY:** Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

RE: Iowa Family Planning Network (IFPN) Changes

**EFFECTIVE:** January 1, 2012

The Iowa Family Planning Network waiver has been renewed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). There were some changes made to the covered members and services. The changes are outlined below.

- The IFPN waiver will enroll and cover services to both male and female members.
- The IFPN waiver will enroll men and women that are uninsured or have health insurance that does not include coverage for family planning services.
- The IFPN will enroll people ages 12 through 54.
- The IFPN includes men and women who have family income at or below 300 percent of the federal poverty level.
- Family Planning services and supplies whose primary purpose is family planning and which are provided in a family planning setting are covered including:
  - Methods of contraception (e.g., vasectomies)
  - Sexually transmitted infection(STI) or sexually transmitted disease(STD) testing, pap smears, and pelvic exams;
  - o Drugs, supplies, or devices related to women's health service described above that are prescribed by a health care provider who meets Medicaid's provider enrollment requirements and the drug rebate program requirements, and
  - Contraceptive Management, patient education, and counseling.
- Family Planning Related services and supplies are those services provided as part of or as follow-up to a family planning visit are covered. Examples include the following:
  - Colposcopy or repeat Pap smear performed as a follow-up to an abnormal Pap smear which is done as part of a routine family planning visit.
  - Drugs for the treatment of STIs/STDs, except for HIV/AIDS and hepatitis, when the STI/STD is identified during a routine or periodic family planning visit.
  - Drugs/ treatment for vaginal infections or disorders, other lower genital tract and genital skin infections/ disorders, and urinary tract infections, where these conditions are identified or diagnosed during a routine or periodic family planning visit. A follow-up visit for the treatment or drugs may also be covered.

- Other medical diagnosis, treatment, and preventive services that are routinely provided pursuant to family planning services in a family planning setting, An example could be a vaccination to prevent cervical cancer.
- Treatment of major complications arising from a family planning procedures such as:
  - Treatment of a perforated uterus due to an intrauterine device;
  - Treatment of severe menstrual bleeding caused by a Depo-Provera injection requiring a dilation and curettage; or
  - Treatment of surgical or anesthesia-related complications during a sterilization procedure.
- Primary Care Referrals to other social service and health care providers as medically indicated are provided but the costs of those services are not covered for IFPN members. Written materials that explain to the IFPN members how they can access primary care services should be provided.

Reminder: When a third-party liability for medical expenses exists, this resource should be utilized before the Medicaid program makes payment unless the confidentiality provision applies.

If you have questions, please contact the IME Provider Services Unit at 1-800-338-7909 or 515-256-4609 (local) or email at imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us.